

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators who contribute an exceptional amount of time and energy to helping ensure that students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Althalean Billups of Hayti, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a teacher at Hayti High School, a vocational calling that she will draw to a close on May 23, 2008, in well-deserved retirement after twenty-five years of service; and

Whereas, in addition to her classroom endeavors, Althalean Billups has developed and maintained an excellent reputation for her work as the Lunchroom Committee chairman; Family, Career and Community Leaders of America advisor; Black History Program coordinator; and Cheerleader sponsor; and

Whereas, a former clerk with the Missouri Department of Revenue, Althalean Billups also has served as a Brownie leader, Girl Scout leader, member of the AAMOD Summer Enrichment Program, Boys and Girls Club participant, Sunday School teacher, Sunday secretary, Sunday School Youth Program director, member of Kappa Omicron Phi, president of the WWCI Lady's Club, member of the Southern Poverty Law Center, and member of the Missouri State Teachers Association; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Althalean Billups was listed in Who's Who Among American Teachers in 2002 and is a Wall of Tolerance honoree; and

Whereas, Althalean Billups is justifiably proud also to be known as the loving mother of Kristie N. Billups; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative actions in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of such outstanding Missouri citizens as Althalean Billups:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered down through the years by Althalean Billups and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Althalean Billups of Hayti, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry Swinger
District No. 162

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker